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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

Madison, Wisconsin -- A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin , sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments yesterday. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH DRUG AND GUN CRIMES

Lamount D. Williams, DOB 4/25/1979, of Madison, Wisconsin, was charged with possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine, being a felon in possession of a firearm, and possessing the firearm in furtherance of the drug crime. The indictment alleges that on or about January 3, 2006, Williams possessed crack cocaine and a Jennings .22 caliber pistol. If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison on the possession with intent to distribute charge and 10 years on the felon in possession charge. In addition, he faces five years in prison for possession of the firearm in furtherance of the drug crime, which would be served consecutively to any sentence for the underlying drug crime.

This matter was investigated by the Madison Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

MAN CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO U.S.

Mario Gutierrez-Avila, DOB 9/8/1976, a citizen of Mexico, was charged with intentionally re-entering the United States after previously being deported. The indictment alleges that he was found in the United States on or about October 8, 2004. If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of two years in prison.

The charges against Gutierrez-Avila are the result of an investigation conducted by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security-Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Przybylinski Finn.

TWO MADISON MEN FACE COCAINE CHARGES

Jose Israel Flores-Tinoco, DOB 1/2/1979, and Enrique Jose Tinoco, DOB 5/27/1977, both of Madison, Wisconsin, were charged with conspiracy to distribute cocaine, and possession of cocaine with the intent to distribute. The indictment alleges that the conspiracy involved 500 grams or more of cocaine.

If convicted, they each face a maximum penalty of 40 years in prison. The investigation of this matter was conducted by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

MADISON MAN CHARGED WITH LOAN FRAUD

Arthur Vance, DOB 12/25/1961, of Madison, Wisconsin, was charged with making two false statements to the Dane County Credit Union in connection with a loan and an application for a Mastercard. The indictment alleges that on or about September 16, 1999, the defendant applied for and received a loan in the amount of \$7,000 using a Social Security number and date of birth which were not his correct personal information. The indictment also alleges that on or about January 29, 2000, Vance applied for a Mastercard using a Social Security number and date of birth which were not his correct personal information.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison. This matter was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of this case will be handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

LODI MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIMES

Joseph K. Barth, DOB 9/8/1972, of Lodi, Wisconsin, was charged with making a false statement to a federally licensed firearms dealer, and with possession of a firearm after previously being convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence. The indictment alleges that the defendant made the false statement to the Rusk Gun Shop, Inc. on or about November 17, 2004. The indictment also alleges that Barth possessed a Mossberg 12 gauge shotgun on or about November 20, 2004.

If convicted, Barth faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison. The

investigation of this matter was handled by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

EAU CLAIRE MAN INDICTED ON DRUG AND GUN CHARGES

Jacob Wold, DOB 7/11/1975, of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, was indicted on two drug charges and two firearms charges. The indictment alleges that on or about September 21, 2005, Wold possessed with intent to distribute methamphetamine and as a user of methamphetamine, possessed a Smith and Wesson .40 caliber pistol and American Eagle .40 caliber ammunition. The indictment further alleges that on or about September 29, 2005, Wold possessed with intent to distribute marijuana and as a user of methamphetamine, possessed a Wasp 7.62 semi-automatic rifle and Winchester 7.62 caliber ammunition.

If convicted, Wold faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison on each of the drug charges, and 10 years in prison on each of the firearms charges. The investigation of this matter was handled by the Eau Claire Police Department and the West Central Drug Task Force. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel J. Graber.

SUPERIOR RESIDENT CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF GUNS

Josiah Nixon, DOB 3/29/1979, of Superior, Wisconsin, was charged with two counts of being a felon in possession of a firearm. The indictment alleges that on or about July 5, 2005, Nixon possessed a Remington .22 caliber rifle, as well as seven rounds of .22 caliber ammunition. The indictment also alleges that on or about October 6, 2005, Nixon possessed a SKS 7.62 x 39 caliber semi-automatic rifle.

If convicted, Nixon faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison on each count. The investigation of this matter was handled by the Superior Police Department. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel J. Graber.

ILLINOIS MAN CHARGED WITH GUN CRIME

Edgar Delarosa, DOB 10/2/1974, of Rockford, Illinois, was charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm. The indictment alleges that on or about January 5, 2006, Delarosa possessed a Smith and Wesson 9 mm pistol.

If convicted, Delarosa faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison. The

investigation of this matter was handled by the Janesville Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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